The Harbor Soaring Society Newsletter DECEMBER 1993, VOL. 30 NO. 12

NOVEMBER MEETING MINUTES

The November meeting came to order at 7:45PM with club president Andy Sanders presiding. The minutes from the October meeting were accepted as written. No treasurer's report was given.

Ross Thomas recapped the recent SC2 tournament held at El Dorado and briefed the events for the upcoming Tri Cities (aka Toilet Seat) Challenge.

A discussion was held on the possible club purchase of an electric winch for club members' weekday use. Steve Fink commented that this would receive priority attention in 1994.

There were no models brought in for show and tell. Sid Sowell brought in plans for an innovative Harley Michaelis design, the Jouster. Various club experts offered free opinions and redesign advice to Sid, notwithstanding the Jouster's excellent competition record in the Pacific Northwest. Sid was appropriately grateful.

Final nominations and elections were held for 1994 club officer positions. The results were as follows:

MEETING LOCATION

Lakes at Seabridge Condos. On Adams Ave. in Huntington Beach. Turn right at the first traffic light heading East from Beach Boulevard. You will need to check in at the gate. Tell the guard you are there for the HSS meeting. If there are any problems, call 969-1524

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FY!

...in one of the narrowest SC2 finales ever, HSS wins the 1993 SC2 season championships at 1993's last tournament hosted by EDSF ...trailing PSS and TPG all year, HSS topped season standings with strong performances by Ben Clerx (2nd), Randy Bratrud (6th), Ross Thomas (7th), and Mike Aguirre (8th)...in individual SC2 season point standings, Roger Lackey, Ben Clerx, and Don Edberg finished 2nd, 3rd, and 8th overall, with Fred Sage (TPG) topping 1993's individual standings... HSSers in the news: in the current MB, Ben Clerx reviews the new JR X-388S glider radio, Bob Sliff and Jerry Bridgeman featured in story on F5B Team Selection Finals... new planes seen at the field: Dave Nemecek's Mako, Ben Clerx's 2M LeVoe Super Vee, and Gordon Poulsen's stretched and flapped Gemini...by the way, that's Dave Nemecek's sharplooking Falcon 880 in the Airtronics ads...Would You Please Lower the Lid When You're Done Dept: this past month, HSS regained the uncoveted Toilet Seat Trophy from SULA and EDSF, see report elsewhere...at the Astro Champs held at Mile Square, Chuck Hollinger wins the 05 Payload Cargo event second year running, more details in Bob Walker's column...don't forget to renew AMA and HSS memberships this month, both will be needed to fly in club monthlies starting in January...

TRI-CITIES CHALLENGE

by Ross Thomas

Due to short notice inside our

own club, our attendance at this fun fly
event was severely limited. HSS had six

fliers: Ben Clerx, Sean Monahan, Mike Aguirre, Curt Nehring, myself, and enthusiastic new member Tom Rowe. EDSF also fielded six contestants. SULA had a large group of enthusiastic fliers as well as a goodly number of club members who showed up to help.

The air during the first round was lifting everywhere but was not really needed as the task was a two minute duration with the flier guess-timating his flight time without using a watch. The scored times varied from within 1 second to as much as 20 seconds off the two minute goal.

The second round was a five minute duration with a sizable bonus if the flier handed the TX to the timer for thirty seconds. The lift went away and several fliers, including myself, did not make time, let alone get bonus points. Some contestants had flights as short as two minutes and thirty seconds.

The lift returned for the third round, with the tasking a maximum number of loops in 2 minutes. Many different styles of flying were used. Large polyhedral models just don't like to make continuous loops that look like loops! A 3M Gnome just will not loop like a 2M Gnome!

Final results: Ben Clerx placed first overall. SULA and EDSF fliers placed second and third. Unfortunately not enough HSSers placed high enough to ward off presentation of the "Toilet Seat" to HSS as the third place, and losing, team.

Incoming contest coordinator
Mike Aguirre promises to make the next
Tri-Cities Challenge even more exciting
than our last one. HSS will accept no
excuses for club members' nonparticipation!

SPARKS & HIGH STARTS by Bob Walker

The Harbor Soaring Society was well represented at the 1993 Astro Champs Competition held at Mile Square. Tim Beegan and Chuck Hollinger competed in the 05 payload cargo event, and Jerry Bridgeman and Bob Sliff competed in the pylon races.

The payload cargo event turned out to be a real cliff-hanger. Tim Beegan crashed during the first turn after working his way up to 10 lbs 5 oz. Chuck Hollinger, flying last year's event winner, lifted 11 lbs 12 oz. in the early rounds. His main competition came from John Railey of the Southern California Electric Flyers; John, flying a low wing - high AR design, successfully lifted 12 lbs 1 oz to take an early lead. Chuck responded with a 12 lbs 12 oz lift. Now the going got tough - John loaded up 13 lbs 1 oz, successfully took off and stayed aloft the required 60 seconds, but touched down a little hard with the wings breaking off, rendering the plane unflyable. Chuck Hollinger repeats last year's payload cargo victory using his original design with a selfdeveloped carbon fiber prop, and beating last year's total by 2 1/2 lbs!

In pylon racing, Steve Neu took first, Jerry Bridgeman took second, and Troy Peterson took third place. Bob Sliff had technical problems on Saturday and was unable to fly. However he flew on Sunday just to enjoy the competition.

I did not have time to observe the other events. I would like to thank all of the officials and flyers for two fun-filled spectating days, including an impressive demo by Bob Sliff flying his World Champs-caliber F5B.

NOVEMBER HSS MONTHLY

On an exceptionally pleasant fall morning, Ross Thomas and Curt Nehring co-CDed the November HSS Monthly. The tasks were 3 rounds of 4 min or 8 minute precision duration. With thermal air abundant in the early rounds, flight times were high for both Unlimited and 2 Meter. Attendance was light and those unable to attend missed one of the best soaring days of the year.

In Unlimited, Mike Aguirre and his Mako edged out Randy Bratrud's Sagitta 900 in a flyoff for first place; Ross Thomas placed third, also with a Mako, just ahead of up-and-comer Mike Carrico and his Genesis. In Advanced, Andy Sanders strung together three excellent flights with his original Viper to win the class. Curt Nehring placed a close second flying another Mako. Tom Rowe won Sportsman with a Gnome 2M.

In Two Meter, Mike Aguirre won for his second victory of the day, flying an Agnew Banshee. Ross Thomas seconded with an Accipiter, and Steve Fink placed third with an aileron Sagitta 600.

Important note: copies of the club's year-to-date Monthly standings for Unlimited and 2M will be available at the December 1 club meeting, and 1993 Monthly season awards will be announced at the January club meeting.

-- reported by Pete Young

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OCTOBER SO2 TOURNAMENT

The October SC2 contest was held at El Dorado Regional Park in Long Beach, hosted by the El Dorado Silent Fliers on Sunday Oct 24. 75 fliers attended a smoothly run contest under ideal weather conditions. At stake was not only the contest's places but also year end standings for top pilot and top team. The contest format was a highly modified triathlon which maxed at 7 minutes. Penalty points were gradual all the way up the curve unlike the AMA version.

Flying started around 9:35AM with 7 minute air present from the start and three rounds of maxes were common. Don Van Gundy (TPG) seemed to be the only person with a plane caught by the trees. Several top fliers had bad landings, keeping the door open and making the contest quite interesting.

When the dust had cleared and the totals computed, Joe Rodriguez (ISS) had won Expert with Ben Clerx, Fred Weaver, Joe Wurts, and Jim Skinner taking the other top honors. Bill Duncan won Sportsman (moving up to SC2 Expert!) and HSS member Tom (You Can Fly Now) Vincent placed third in Sportsman.

In the year end totals, Fred Sage (TPG) was first, Roger Lackey second by just a few points! Other top ten finishers were Ben Clerx, Don Edberg, Joe Rodriguez (ISS), George Joy (TPG), Don Van Gundy (TPG), B. J. Weisman (TOSS), and Mike Reagan (TOSS). Top team honors for 1993 went to the Harbor Soaring Society! With a clutch performance at this final event, HSS went into the contest in second place

and came out as season champs, thanks to great flying by Ben Clerx, Ross Thomas, Mike Aguirre, and Don Edberg!

Overall the event was run very smoothly with good lift throughout the day. Landing on green park grass is always a welcome treat compared to some of the fields usually used. A big thanks to all the HSS fliers who travel throughout the year for SC2 contests, whether it be for one event or all! Let's make the 1994 season on the SC2 circuit just as successful with even more HSSers getting out and doing the SC2 contest thing!

-- reported by Mike Aguirre

DECEMBER MONTHLY

DATE: Sunday Dec 5, 1993
CONTEST DIRECTOR: Pat Stoker
EVENTS: Unlimited, 2 Meter
FORMAT: 3 rounds, pilot's choice,
4, 7, or 10 minute precision
duration. 25' graduated landing
tapes.
SCORING (flight/landing):
4 min: 700/300, 7 min: 800/200,
10 min: 900/100; 4:31 and higher
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START TIME: Pilots' meeting @
8:45AM.

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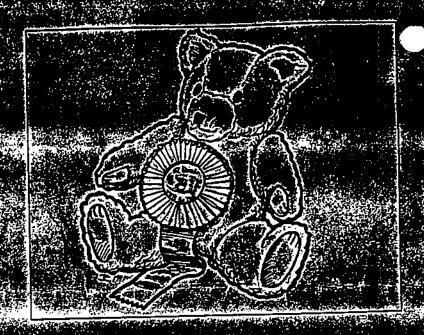
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October Monthly Scores

Two Meter

Pla	ce Name	Score	Normalized	i Trop	hy
1	Lackey, Roger	1955.5	1000.0	lst	
2	Aguirre, Mike	1942.5	993.4	2nd	
3	Chasteler, Frank	1776.5	908.5	3rd	
4	Edberg, Don	1710.0	874.5	514	
5	Monahan, Sean	1608.5	822.6		
6	Young, Pete	1205.0	616.2		
7	Kutch, Norm	1170.5	598.6		
8	Thomas, Ross	879.0	449.5		
9	Vincent, Tom	546.0	279.2		
		Unlimi	ted.		
1	Clerx, Ben	Expert	1977.5	1000.0	lst Expert
2	Lackey, Roger	Expert	1948.0	985.1	2nd Expert
3	Edberg, Don	Expert	1923.0	972.4	3rd Expert
4	Aguirre, Mike	Expert	1920.0	970.9	
5	Hendry, Steve	Expert	1918.0	969.9	
6	Bratrud, Randy	Expert	1917.5	969.7	•
7	Klatskin, Bill	Guest	1911.5	966.6	
8	Kutch, Norm	Expert	1905.0	963.3	
9	Carrico, Mike	Advanced	1899.5	960.6	1st Advanced
10	Cron, Al	Expert	1897.5	959.5	
11	Wilson, Dan	Guest	1891.5	956.5	
12	Enger, Larry	Guest	1890.5	956.0	
13	Richardson, Pete	Expert	1887.5	954.5	
14	Chasteler, Frank	Expert	1887.0	954.2	
15	Fink, Steven	Expert,	1880.0	950.7	
16	Duncan, Bill	Expert	1835.5	928.2	
17	Biddle, Fred	Expert	1813.0	916.8	
18	Nemecek, David	Expert	1812.0	916.3	
19	Sanders, Andy	Advanced	1811.0	915.8	2nd Advanced
20	Brandt, Dennis	Expert	1691.0	855.1	
21	Pantzar, Dick	Expert	1683.0	851.1	
22	Tau, Manny	Expert	1610.5	814.4	
23	Ritschke, Gordon	Expert	1552.5	785.1	
24	Vincent, Tom	Advanced	1552.0	784.8	•
25	Thomas, Ross	Expert	1509.0	763.1	
26	Nehring, Curt	Advanced	1457.5	737.0	
27	Young, Pete	Advanced	1280.0	647.3	
28	Stoker, Pat	Expert	789.0	399.0	
29	Bonanno, Tony	Guest	585.0	295.8	
30	Poulsen, Gordon	Expert	492.0	248.8	

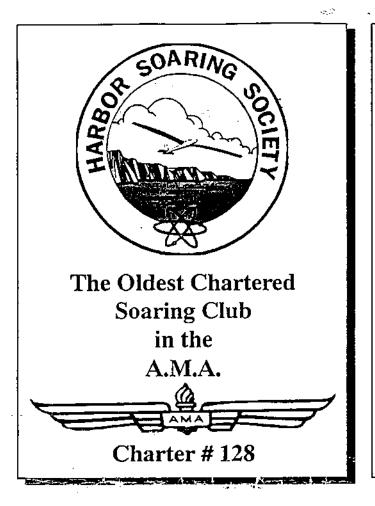
November Monthly Scores

Two Meter

Place	Name	Score	Normalized	Trophy
1 2 3 4 5 6	Aguirre, Mike Thomas, Ross Fink, Steve Kutch, Norm Young, Pete Monahan, Sean	2855 2745 2715 2701 2394 2373	1000.0 961.5 951.0 946.1 838.5 831.2	1st 2nd 3rd

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1	Aguirre, Mike	2939 E		2nd Expert (flyoff)
2	Bratrud, Randy			
3	Thomas, Ross	2903 E		3rd Expert
4	Carrico, Mike	2891 E		
5	Pantzar, Dick	2873 E	977.5	
6	Duncan, Bill	2858 E	972.4	and the second second
7	Tau, Manny	2853 E	970.7	
8	Sanders, Andy	2839 A	966.0	lst Advanced
9	Nehring, Curt	2785 A	947.6	2nd Advanced
10	Richardson, Pete	2761 E	939.4	· ·
11	Kutch, Norm	2740 E	932.3	
12	Young, Pete	2731 A		
13	Nemecek, Dave	2721 E		
14	Fink, Steven	2689 E	914.9	
15	Monahan, Sean	2529 A	860.5	
16	Biddle, Fred	2487 E	846.2	
17	Vincent, Tom	2458 A	836.3	
18	Rowe, Tom	2378 S	809.1	lst Sportsman
19	Poulsen, Gordon	2296 E	781.2	
20	Ritschke, Gordon	2281 E	776.1	
21	Scheer, Pat	1742 S	592.7	



DECEMBER HSS MEETING

DATE: Wednesday, December 1, 7:30PM

LOCATION: Refer to page 1 for instructions.

SHOW & TELL: Bring in your latest projects!

GUEST SPEAKER: Megrill Farmer of MM Glider Tech will brief his innovative line of glider kits and glider accessories.

DOOR PRIZE: A TAUCOM "rubber ducky" antenna, graciously donated by Manny Tau, will be raffled among those in attendance.



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